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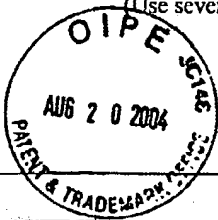
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17. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the aqueous suspension comprises an oocyst concentration of about 10^4 to about 10^6 oocysts/ml and an initial hydrogen peroxide concentration of about 1,000 to about 20,000 mg/l.

18. (Previously presented) A method for the purification, recovery and sporulation of oocysts, comprising:

separating the oocysts from a first suspension comprising the oocysts;
and

sporulating the separated oocysts by the method of claim 15.

19. (Previously presented) The method of claim ⁴⁵~~46~~ wherein the oocysts are selected from the group consisting of oocysts from *Eimeria maxima*, *Eimeria mitis*, *Eimeria tenella*, *Eimeria acervulina*, *Eimeria brunetti*, *Eimeria necatrix*, *Eimeria praecox*, and combinations thereof.

20. (Previously presented) The method of claim ⁴⁶~~47~~ wherein the salt flotation process comprises:

preparing an admixture comprising the oocysts and the salt;
centrifuging the slurry and recovering a supernatant therefrom;
forming a dilution of the supernatant and centrifuging the dilution; and
recovering the concentrate from the centrifuged dilution.

21. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein separating the oocysts is accomplished by a gas flotation process which comprises:

adjusting the first suspension to a pH sufficient to affect adhesion between bubbles of the gas in the suspension and the encysted protozoa;
conditioning the pH adjusted suspension by adding a sufficient amount of a surface active agent compound to selectively coat particles in the suspension and a sufficient amount of a heteropolar compound to produce a stable froth;